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Sir:

Please consider and enter the Amendment filed May 18, 2004, after which
please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.